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In re Application of)
 Leslie S. Marco et al.) Group: 3721
 Serial No.: 10/681,524)
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 Title: TOP LIFT CARRIER AND METHOD OF) Examiner: Tawfik, Sameh
 MANUFACTURE THEREFOR)

AMENDMENT

MS RCE
 Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated 02/28/2007, Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on June 28, 2007, with a Petition for Extension of Time and a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review. A Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review was mailed July 27, 2007 indicating the application should proceed to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences with all remaining claims standing rejected. Accordingly, Applicants appeal brief is due August 28, 2007.

Concurrently herewith, Applicants have filed a Request for Continued Examination. As the required submission, Applicants hereby submit the following Amendment, along with the Request for Continued Examination.

The following amendment papers are included herewith:

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